



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

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For: CRIMP STATE ESTIMATION APPARATUS FOR CRIMP CONTACT TERMINAL
AND QUALITY DETERMINATION APPARATUS FOR CRIMP CONTACT
TERMINAL

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY
AMENDMENT**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 19, 2005, in which the Examiner set a shortened statutory period for response by one month, making a reply due on or before December 19, 2005, with a one-month extension of time.

In the Action, the Examiner has required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following:

- Group I Claims 1-3, drawn to a crimp state estimation apparatus, classified in class 72, subclass 17.2; or
- Group II Claims 4-6, drawn to a quality determination apparatus, classified in class 72, subclass 18.1.

Applicant hereby elects Group 1, drawn to claims 1-3, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims.

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the
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